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The claims as they stood at the time of the final rejection of October 13, 2006:

1.(currently amended) First and second one piece integrally molded area circumscribing frame members that fit against one another at their outer perimeters to form a support frame circumscribing an area therewithin and defining an article retaining channel between said first and second frame members, said channel opening into said area circumscribed by said support frame and extending therearound, said channel having a bottom wall defined by said outer perimeters of said frame members that fit against one another.

2.(previously presented) One piece integrally molded frame members as claimed in Claim 1 in which at least one of said members has an integral laterally projecting peripheral wall extending around the perimeter thereof against which the other frame member fits to form said retaining channel.

3.(currently amended) One piece integrally molded frame members as claimed in Claim 1 in which ~~both~~ each of said frame members have has a laterally projecting peripheral ~~walls~~ wall extending around ~~their~~ its outer ~~perimeters~~ perimeter which laterally projecting peripheral walls about when said frame members are fitted together to define said retaining channel.

4. Cancelled without prejudice.

5.(original) One piece integrally molded frame members as claimed in Claim 1, 2 or 3 in which said members are injection molded plastic members.

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6.(original) One piece integrally molded frame members as claimed in Claim 1, 2 or 3 in which said members are compression molded plastic members.

7.(previously presented) One piece integrally molded frame members as claimed in Claim 1 in which each of said members is one side of a window sash and said retaining channel is adapted to retain a glazing unit.

8. Cancelled without prejudice.

9.(previously presented) One piece integrally molded frame members as claimed in Claim 1 in which at least one of said frame members is further formed to fit against a third one piece integrally molded area circumscribing frame member to form a second support frame having a retaining channel which opens into the area circumscribed by said second support frame and extends therearound.

10.(previously presented) First and second frame members as claimed in Claim 1 configured to form on assembly face to face spaced opposite sides of a window frame, at least one of said frame members having at the outer perimeter thereof a laterally projecting wall which spaces such opposite sides from one another and defines said retaining channel as a window unit retaining channel.

11.(previously presented) Frame members as claimed in Claim 10 having at least over a portion of their inner perimeters integral inwardly projecting lips having a width less than half the spacing between said spaced opposite sides of said window frame.

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12.(previously presented) First and second frame members as claimed in Claims 10 or 11 in combination with a third one piece molded area circumscribing rectangular frame member configured for assembly with one of said first and second frame members to form an adjoining frame having a window retaining channel.

13.(previously presented) First and second frame members as claimed in Claim 1 formed to be brought together face to face to form opposite sides of a window sash with said retaining channel comprising a glazing unit retaining channel therebetween, a glazing unit located between said sash sides received in said retaining channel and means securing said molded frame members together to retain said glazing unit in said retaining channel.

14.(previously presented) First and second frame members as claimed in Claim 13 in which said frame members are formed to interengage when brought face to face.

15. Cancelled without prejudice.

16.(previously presented) First and second frame members as claimed in Claim 22 in combination with a third rectangular frame member of one piece molded construction configured to fit against and form with one of the aforesaid frame members a second frame in which said one of said frame members forms one side of said second frame and said third frame member forms the other side of said second frame.

17. (previously presented) First and second frame members as claimed in Claim 1 in which said frame members are molded with interengaging means which interengage when

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said frame members are fitted one against the other to hold said frame members in such fitted relation.

18.(previously presented) First and second frame members as claimed in Claim 17 in which said interengaging means bind together to resist separation of said frame members.

19. (previously presented) First and second frame members as claimed in Claim 17 in which said interengaging means comprise projecting formations plugged into mating receptor formations.

20. (previously presented) First and second one piece integrally molded area circumscribing frame members that fit against one another to form a support frame circumscribing an area therewithin and defining an article retaining channel between said first and second frame members, said channel opening into said area circumscribed by said support frame and extending therearound, said frame members having laterally projecting peripheral walls extending around their outer perimeters which abut when said frame members are fitted together to define said retaining channel, said frame members further having at their inner perimeters at least for proportions of the circumscribed area integral laterally projecting lips which, upon said members being fitted together, face each other with a space therebetween to form slotted walls overlying at least portions of said retaining channel reducing openness of said channel into said circumscribed area in said slotted wall portions to said space between said lips.

21. (previously presented) First and second one piece integrally molded area circumscribing frame members that fit against one another to form a support frame circumscribing an area therewithin and defining an article retaining channel between said first and second frame members, said channel opening into said area circumscribed by

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said support frame and extending therearound, said members forming the sides of a frame to support a sliding window sash.

22.(previously presented)

First and second one piece integrally molded area circumscribing frame members that fit against one another to form a support frame circumscribing an area therewithin and defining an article retaining channel between said first and second frame members, said channel opening into said area circumscribed by said support frame and extending therearound, said first and second frame members each configured to form opposite sides of a sliding window unit frame, at least one of said frame sides having an integral laterally projecting wall at its outer perimeter which spaces said opposite frame sides from one another when the same are assembled, both said one piece frame members having at their inner perimeters an integral lip having a width less than one half the spacing of said spaced opposite frame sides, said lips projecting inwardly of said frame sides when assembled to form inner walls having slots therethrough overlying at least portions of said retaining channel reducing openness of said channel into said circumscribed area in said portions to said slots.

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